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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Storer et al.

Application No.: 10/054,363

Group Art Unit: 3732

Filed: November 13, 2001

Examiner: E. C. Robert

For: PROSTHETIC IMPLANT CEMENT
DEFLECTOR AND METHOD OF
IMPLANTATION

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

I. Claims 1-8 and 14-23, drawn to a bone cement deflector and kit, classified in class 606, subclass 92.

II. Claims 9-13, drawn to a method for implanting a prosthesis in a medullary canal of a long bone, classified in class 606, subclass 62.

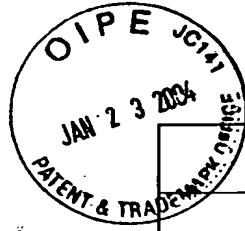
In response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 9-13. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-elected claims.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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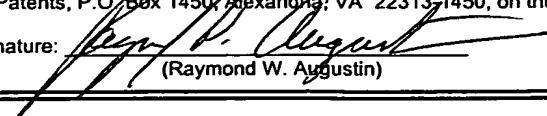
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